

### ABSTRACT

A coating composition resistant to penetration by moisture that, when coated onto a composite containing residual moisture after cure, substantially prevents the loss of this residual moisture from the composite thus reducing the risk of cracking of the composite. The composition includes:

- a) a mixture of esters of fatty acids and aliphatic hydrocarbons having a melting point in the range from about 120° to about 180°F; and
- b) a powdered additive in sufficient amount to permit uniform heating of a mass of the composition and to provide compression of a mass of the composition upon rapid cooling sufficient to substantially exclude occluded gasses from a cooled mass.